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RAISING THE AFRICAN STANDARD

OUR MISSION

To offer value-added standardisation services on an ethical and principled basis that uplift the African standard and empower South African industry to compete vigorously towards increased market access.

In so doing SABS contributes to the economic growth of South Africa and Africa as a whole within a framework that protects consumers and the environment by promoting uncompromised quality of products and services.

SABS HIGHLIGHTS [1]

- Restructured into 7 Business Clusters
- 30% improvement in the number of days to complete a standard – 884 standards passed
- SANS 3000-1 Railway Safety Management Regulations
- Establishing a laboratory to test bio-diesel & bioethanol in accordance with SANS 1935
- Upgraded its seatbelt testing facilities to be one of the most modern facilities in the world
- The publication of SANS 10399, Quality Management Systems for Bus Operators, resulted in the introduction of a certification scheme for bus operators

SABS HIGHLIGHTS 12

- Established new operations at Saldanha where iron ore is sampled & analysed
- Restrictions imposed on the sale of short mass batches of bread
- Making wick paraffin stoves safer with a comprehensive revision of SANS 1906, the standard for non-pressure paraffin stoves & heaters
- Started with energy labeling of appliances
- Surveillance of the market resulted in the pro-active discovery of defective cans at fish canning factories
- SMME Development 21 certified, 135 trained, 99 supported for product testing



SABS HIGHLIGHTS [3]

- Refurbished laboratories in 6 high schools in Sekhukhune & Kgalagadi at at cost of R846 000
- R7,1m invested in staff development 18% increase from previous year
- Trained 52 peer educators who are conducting HIV/AIDS awareness programmes
- Hosted the 69th General Assembly of the International Electrotechnical Commission in Cape Town – 1497 delegates present
- Member of staff elected as Vice President of the OIML



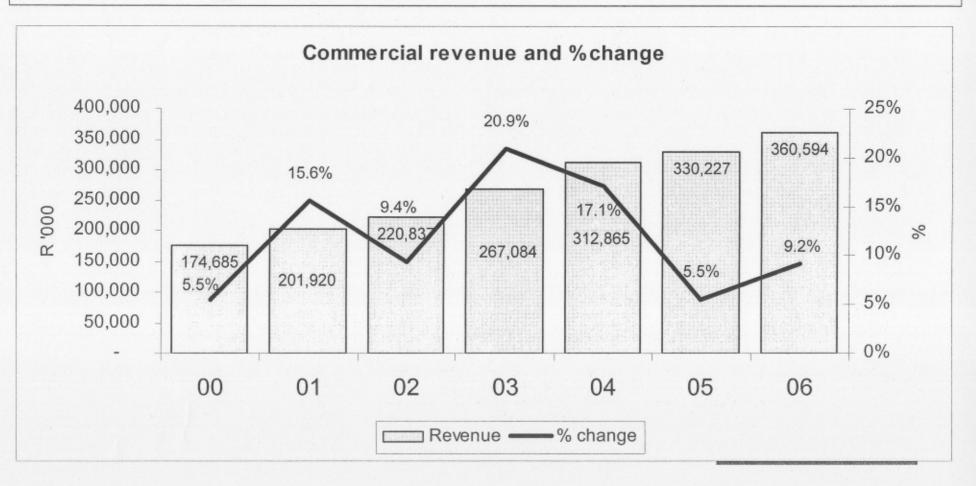
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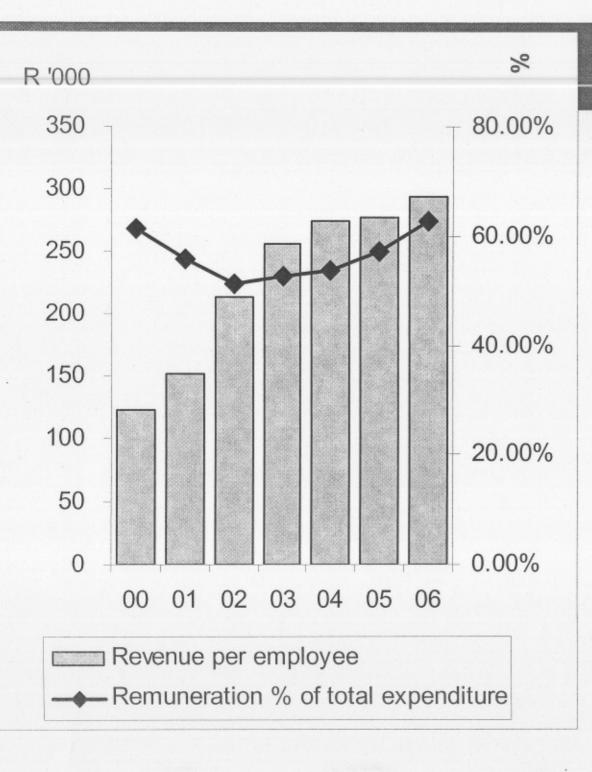
- Provided technical training to standards bodies in DRC, Ethopia, Kenya, Zimbabwe, Tanzania and Botswana
- Operates water check in over 100 laboratories throughout Africa



FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

9% growth in Commercial revenue





6%
increase in revenue per employee performance

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FINANCIAL HIGHLIGHTS

	2006	2005	%
	R'000	R'000 C	CHANGE
Revenue - Commercial	360,594	330,227	9
Core Funding	96,754	97,075	0
Operation Profit	24,603	23,814	3
Total assets employed	412,381	375,187	10
Cash flow from operating	33,472	48,172	-31
Activities			
Capital Expenditure	30,651	12,741	141



	Return on net assets employed (%)	Operating margin (%)	Revenue / employee (Rands)
2006	8.3%	6.8%	293,883
2005	9.8%	7.2%	277,735



PERFORMANCE AGAINST OBJECTIVES [1]

Promoting broader participation, equity and redress in the economy

- 1. Supporting of National & Regional Imperatives
 - Social investment & development
 - Contributing towards the development & regional integration of the African continent within the NEPAD framework
- 2. Preferential Procurement
 - BEE support 50% of all purchases
- 3. EE
 - 61% PDI, Females 42%, differently abled 4%



PERFORMANCE AGAINST OBJECTIVES [2]

Promoting co-ordinated implementation of the accelerated and shared growth initiative

- 1. Sustainable Growth
 - Revenue
 - Profitability
 - Cost & Overhead efficiency
- 2. Increasing market access opportunities for the export of South African goods & services
 - Promoting macro economic goals & objectives
 - Globalisation
- 1. Improving market relevance & recognition
 - Increasing exports
 - Operational best practice
 - Accreditation



PERFORMANCE AGAINST OBJECTIVES [3]

Promoting employment creation

- 1. Contributing towards employee development
 - Staff development
- 2. Contributing towards skills development for the country
 - Skills & technology transfer



GRAHIENGES

1. Standards Development

- Broaden our stakeholder base
- Secure and maintain the interest and involvement of leaders of industry, government departments and significant consumer organizations

2. Conformity Assessment

- Expand services in important markets
- Extend services to small and medium sized organizations

3. Regulatory

Finalization of new Regulatory Bill

4. Regional integration

Capacity variances



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